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REMARKS

The allowance of claims 1, 3, 6-18 and 20-22 is gratefully acknowledged.

Claim 23 has been amended and claim 25 has been canceled solely to place the application in condition for allowance. The Application contains claims 1, 3, 6-18, and 20-23, of which claims 1, 3, 6-18 and 20-22 have been allowed. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the original claims and other claims in this application and in other applications.

Claims 23 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Zwirn (U.S. Patent No. 4,445,138). The rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 23 has been amended to include allowed subject matter. Claim 25 has been canceled. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection be withdrawn and claim 25 allowed.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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